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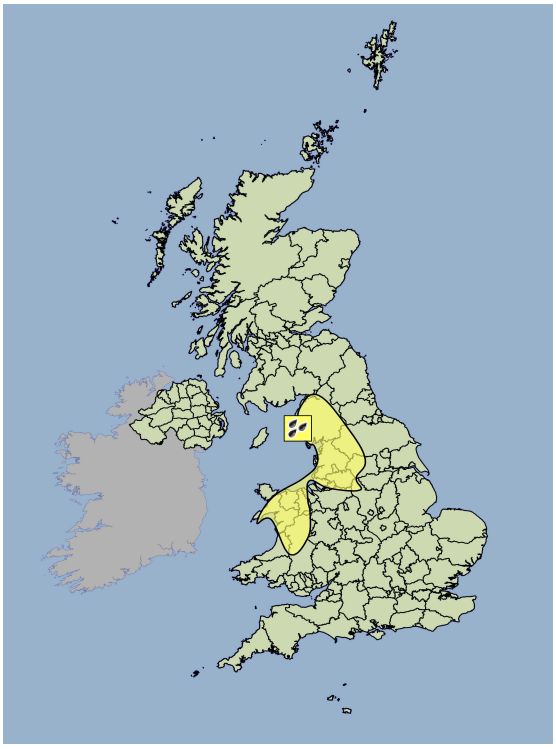

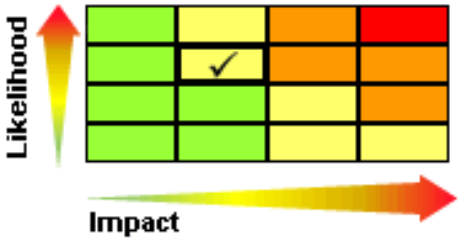

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A mild and moist westerly flow from the Atlantic, associated with a frontal zone and warm air mass is expected to develop early on Saturday, and persist through the weekend. As this flow meets higher ground, rainfall is likely to become heavy and persistent. In addition, frontal waves running through the flow will locally intensify the rainfall at times, but also lead to lower confidence in the locations of the largest rainfall totals later in the warning period.

With large uncertainties surrounding both the track and intensity of the heaviest rainfall, this warning will be updated over the coming days in the light of new information.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Alert** of **Rain**

Valid from **12:00 on Sat, 20th Feb 2016** until **23:55 on Sun, 21st Feb 2016**

After a brief lull on Friday, further unsettled weather is expected to move in from the Atlantic on Saturday morning. The heaviest and most persistent rainfall is expected to occur over high ground, which is likely to be accompanied by strong winds.

Please be aware of the potential for low level disruption due to difficult driving conditions and localised flooding of property.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

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